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LABORATORY PROCEDURES BULLETIN

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MC+ MANAGED CARE

The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage by the MC+ fee-for-service and Medicaid fee-for-service programs. The MC+ fee-for-service and Medicaid fee-for-service programs also provide coverage for those services carved out of the MC+ Managed Care benefit for MC+ Managed Care enrollees. Questions regarding services included in the MC+ Managed Care benefit should be directed to the enrollee's MC+ Managed Care health plan. Please check the patient's eligibility status prior to delivering a service.

<u>UPDATE TO MEDICAID COVERAGE FOR LABORATORY TESTS</u>

Missouri Medicaid follows Medicare guidelines for billing of professional and technical components. Based on a comparison of Medicare coverage for laboratory tests and Medicare billing guidelines, coverage for certain laboratory tests has been revised to be consistent with Medicare billing.

The following table includes the reimbursement for the covered components for each laboratory code included in the update effective for dates of services beginning May 1, 2004. These changes also pertain to the outpatient lab fee schedule.

Procedure Code	Maximum Allowable Amount	Procedure Code	Maximum Allowable Amount
Code 83912 8391226 84165 8416526 84181 8418126 84182 8418226 86255 8625526 86327 8632726	\$ 5.54 \$ 19.40 \$ 14.84 \$ 19.75 \$ 23.54 \$ 19.05 \$ 9.19 \$ 20.10 \$ 16.66 \$ 20.10 \$ 31.35 \$ 22.67	Code 88331TC 88332 8833226 88332TC 88349 8834926 88349TC 88355 883557C 88356 88356	\$ 17.44 \$ 15.92 \$ 6.85 \$ 9.07 \$126.04 \$ 41.62 \$ 84.42 \$127.93 \$ 62.89 \$ 65.04 \$201.16 \$142.79
86334 8633426 88318 8831826 88318TC 88319 8831926 88319TC 88323 8832326 88323TC 88331 8833126	\$ 30.87 \$ 19.75 \$ 44.37 \$ 22.67 \$ 21.70 \$ 87.31 \$ 28.51 \$ 58.80 \$ 50.44 \$ 20.00 \$ 30.44 \$ 55.54 \$ 38.10	88356TC 88358 8835826 88358TC 88365 8836526 88365TC 88371 8837126 88372 8837226 89060	\$ 58.37 \$ 90.14 \$ 82.55 \$ 7.59 \$ 86.44 \$ 22.73 \$ 63.71 \$ 9.19 \$ 18.70 \$ 26.59 \$ 20.10 \$ 4.60 \$ 20.10

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